DELTA PROTECTION COMMISSION

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DELTA PROTECTION COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

6:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 28, 1999 Jean Harvie Community Center, 14273 River Road, Walnut Grove

- 1. Call to Order/Attendance.
- 2. Closed Session Regarding Pending Litigation Pursuant to General Code Section 11126 (q)(2) and(3).
- 3. Public Comments.
- Minutes of the November 19, 1998 Meeting. 4.
- 5. Chairman's Report, Including Resolutions of Appreciation for Former Commissioners.
- 6. Attorney General's Report.
- 7. Executive Director's Report.
- Pending Projects Memo, Pending Category III Projects Memo, Legislative Update Memo. 8. (For Commission Information Only)
- 9. Briefing on Proposition 4 Regarding Prohibition of Certain Traps by Staff of Department of Fish and Game. (For Commission Information Only)
- 10. Commission Determination to Accept Proposed Conservation Easement. Thomas Luckey has asked the Commission to accept a conservation easement to be prepared as part of a habitat enhancement project on Fern-Headreach Island in the Deepwater Ship Channel in San Joaquin County. (For Possible Commission Action)
- 11. Briefing on CALFED Revised Phase II Report and Ecosystem Restoration Program Plan by Dick Daniel of the CALFED Staff. (For Commission Information Only)

12. <u>Briefing and Public Hearing on Proposal of U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to Create a</u>
North Delta National Wildlife Refuge.

The Commission will be briefed on the four alternatives which will be analyzed in the soon to be released environmental document. The proposed refuge would include portions of Solano and Yolo Counties; the four alternatives range in size from 7,800 acres to approximately 47,000 acres. Public comments will be incorporated into the Fish and Wildlife Service decision making process. Portions of the project have received funding from CALFED Category III grants.

(Public Hearing)

- 13. Commission Review and Possible Adoption of Draft Annual Report for 1998.

 Staff has drafted an annual report and cover letter for submittal to the Governor and Legislature as required in the Delta Protection Act.

 (For Possible Commission Action)
- 14. Possible Amendments to Delta Protection Act.

 The Commission will consider the need to amend the Act to eliminate the two term limit and possible exemption to Administrative Procedures Act.

 (For Public Hearing and Possible Commission Action)
- 15. Request for Commission to Sponsor Legislation to Amend SB 172, Abandoned Watercraft Abatement Program.

Senator Rainey has asked that the Commission consider sponsoring "clean up" legislation for SB 172 which created the abandoned watercraft abatement fund and grant program in 1977.

(For Public Hearing and Possible Commission Action)

- 16. <u>Commissioner Comments/Announcements.</u>
- 17. Adjournment.

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS: None Scheduled